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AMENDMENT IN REISSUE APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.173

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Gentlemen:

Please amend the above-identified reissue application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at column 1, lines 13-22 with the following paragraph:

Certain respiratory disorders, such as cystic fibrosis, emphysema, asthma, and chronic bronchitis, may cause mucous and other secretions to build up in a person's lungs. It is desirable, and sometimes essential, that the secretion build-up be substantially removed from the lungs to enable improved breathing. For example, [Cystic] cystic fibrosis is a hereditary disease that affects the mucous secreting glands of a person, causing an excessive production of mucous. The mucous fills in the person's lungs and must be reduced daily to prevent infection and enable respiration by the person.